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Bill Nye Gets Out From

I aimed my panic price came at the driver of a cream-colored car with a blue stomach, and remarked, "Hi there!" I went inside, clear to the further end and sat down by the side of a young woman, who filled the whole car with sunshine. I was so happy that I gave the conductor half a dollar and told him to keep the change. If by chance she sees this I hope she still remembers me. Pretty soon a very fat woman came into the car and aimed for our quarter. She evidently intended to squat between this fair girl and myself. But ah, thought I to myself in a low tone of voice, I will fool them. So I shoved my person along in the seat toward the sweet girl of the Bay State. The corpulent party, whose name I did not learn, had in the meantime backed up to where she had detected a slight vacancy, and where I had seen fit to place myself. At that moment she heaved a sigh of relief, and assisted by the motion of the car, which just then turned a corner, she sat down in my lap and nestled in my bosom like a tired baby elephant.

Dear reader, if I were to tell you that the crystal of my watch was picked out from under my shoulder blades the next day, you would not believe it, would you?

I will not strain your faith in me by making that statement, but that was the heaviest woman I ever held.—Boston Globe.

The Fate of a Lion.

Mr. Montgomery, the new Commissioner of Patents, while engaged in "turning the rascals out," decapitated a messenger in his bureau who had been in office for several years without doing much of anything to earn his salary. Upon receiving his discharge he made a great ado over it, and insisted that the ax had fallen on the wrong neck. He was a Democrat, he said, and had always been a Democrat; had voted the ticket straight at every election, and stood by his party even in the face of discharge by a Republican Administration. Mr. Montgomery looked him over and then called for the letters of recommendation upon which he was originally appointed.

"You are a Democrat, are you?"

"Yes, sir," replied the man.

"And always have been?"

"Always."

"Then you are discharged for falsehood and for obtaining an office under false pretenses. In this application for appointment filed five years ago you state that you are a Republican; no one but Republicans endorsed you, and every one of them commends you as a faithful and useful member of that party. You can go."

There are a good many department clerks turning up who have always been Democrats, but this example has assisted to make such pretensions unpopular.—N. Y. Sun.

Assessment Work.

The habit of many miners to over-estimate their annual labor, so as to make a few dollars actual work represent the hundred dollars annual labor required by law is justly condemned by a contemporary mining journal, and the gas comment added that the courts will not sustain any such palpable evasion of the law. In a case involving this question of the amount of work actually done, and which could be applied to the required labor the court admitted testimony on the five points following:

1. The number of days of labor performed.

2. The usual rate of wages per day for similar labor in the vicinity at the same time.

3. The amount and character of the work, including kind of rock, etc.

4. The opinion of experts as to the value per foot of the work done.

5. The amount actually paid for the work and improvements on the mine.

An English View of American Politics.

"American advice indicates that much interest centers in the fall elections to be held in the United States. Mr. Robert Burdette, an American statesman and politician, boldly predicts that Mr. Cleveland and cabinet will not resign in the event of a democratic defeat in October; but it is not to be presumed that the new administration would so far ignore the admonitions of contemporary events and the silent dictates of immemorial usage, as to continue to hold office in the face of an adverse popular verdict. If the present administration resigns, it is probable that Mr. Blaine will be asked to take the presidency; and that Senator Morton, of Indiana, Mr. Jefferson Davis, of Rhode Island; and Mr. Gail Hamilton, of Mississippi, will have positions in the new cabinet."

Beet's Rainfall.

A dispatch from China the other day gave some account of a very heavy and destructive rainfall in one of the provinces of the Middle Kingdom. It was stated that 10.22 inches were precipitated in twenty-four hours, with the result of flooding large tracts and doing much damage. What a fall of ten inches in twenty-four hours means may be realized from the fact that one inch of rain gives 100 tons of water per acre, or 60,000 tons to the square mile. Ten inches, therefore, gives 1,000 tons of water to the acre, and 600,000 tons to the square mile. Yet the Chinese rainfall referred to is by no means in the front rank of such occurrences. For instance, Arago reports that on October 9, 1827, no less than 30.9 inches fell in twenty-two hours at Joyeuse. That was thirteen times the Chinese precipitation, and consequently reached 3,000 tons to the acre and 1,800,000 tons to the square mile. Again, on October 25, 1836, a water-spout broke over Gibraltar, and 30.11 inches of water fell. This is nearly two-thirds of the average annual rainfall of New York.

In the so-called "cloud-bursts" which occur on the Western plains the precipitation is probably as heavy as that of the Gibraltar water-spout cited above, though no record has, we believe, yet been obtained of such phenomena. It is somewhat curious that though exceptionally severe storms seem at times to disturb the record, the result of sixty years of observation shows that the annual average in these Eastern States remains constant, and that we have neither more or less rainfall on the whole than our grandfathers had.